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RE: WT Docket No. 02-55

Dear Larry,

Our thanks to you and the other representatives from Nextel for your participation in the *ex parte* meeting last Thursday in this proceeding. It was very helpful in furthering our understanding of the interference issues under consideration in this proceeding.

This letter is to confirm the follow-up information that OET requested during the course of the meeting, to help ensure that it is included in your written filing following the meeting. In addition to providing the requested information and any information required under the Commission's *ex parte* rules, you, of course, are free to file any additional information that you wish.

To recap, we requested, and you agreed to provide, a detailed analysis, including assumptions, underlying Nextel's position that the Consensus Plan should ensure the provision of reliable public safety communications. At a minimum, we intended this request to include the assumptions and analysis underlying Nextel's position that "the Consensus Plan realignment will reduce the probability of interference to public safety licensees operating on the new NPSPAC channels by an average of 99 percent, and reduce interference to public safety licensees (and private wireless licensees) operating at 809-814/854-859 MHz by an average of 88 percent." Nextel *ex parte* presentation of May 16, 2003. * See also Nextel Comments of September 23, 2002, at 21-24; Supplemental Comments of the Consensus Parties of December 24, 2002, at 39-44.

Also, as you know, we discussed at the meeting the different sources of information used by Nextel and Motorola regarding the incidence of CMRS/Public Safety interference. To help assess the significance of those reports, we asked at the meeting various questions about both sources, including the cases that Nextel reported in Appendix B of its May 16th ex parte letter.

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This request essentially reiterated our pending request for a detailed analysis, and the assumptions, underlying a similar quantitative position taken in Appendix F to the Supplemental Comments of the Consensus Parties of December 24, 2002, at Appendix F-1 ("the Consensus Plan will reduce the probability of current CMRS-public safety intermodulation interference by more than 90 percent for many current NPSPAC licensees, and by as much as 65 percent for public safety licensees in the non-cellular block remaining closest to the new cellular channel block.").

Although we understand the information in the APCO database used by Motorola, we think that further specific information regarding the internal Nextel cases would be most helpful to evaluate their significance. In particular, we ask that you identify: (1) the specific reported cases that required physical changes to the Nextel antennas, towers, or network to resolve the reported interference, (2) the type or types of interference that the changes in each case were intended to address, (3) the specific changes that were implemented, and (4) whether or not those changes resolved the interference.

In order to keep our consideration of the issues in this proceeding moving forward expeditiously, we would ask that you provide this information no later than 10 days after the date of this letter. Of course, if you have any further questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief

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